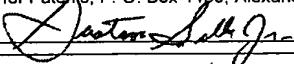


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Appln. No.: 10/795,786

March 8, 2004

For: MAGNETIC HEAD INCLUDING
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LAYER ON PROTRUDING
LAYER AND METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Attorney Docket No: 9281-4774

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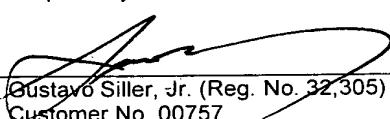
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

No.	Date of Publication
2002-008207	01-11-2002

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Also enclosed is a copy of the Notification of Reasons for Refusal dated May 2, 2006, for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-066221. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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